

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant thanks the examiner for the careful examination given to the present application. The application has been reviewed in light of the Office action, and it is respectfully submitted that the application as amended, is patentable over the art of record. Reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

Claims 13–18 are allowed.

Claim 3 has been amended.

Claims 1–3, and 6–10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kanbara et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,516,201). Claim 3 has been amended. Claims 1–2, 4, 6, and 8 were canceled in the previous amendment filed March 1, 2005. For at least the following reasons, the examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed.

Kanbara does not disclose or teach that “said signal processing means can support different bit rates and modulation systems using different communications systems timings, and wherein communications control means can support different communications systems timings” as recited in claim 3.

Kanbara discloses a dual-mode radio communication apparatus for CDMA (Code Division Multiple Access) communications system. However, Kanbara does not teach that the radio communications apparatus may support more than one system timing. Therefore, Kanbara fails to disclose or teach signal processing means that supports different bit rates and modulation systems using different system timings. Kanbara also fails to disclose or teach communications control means that supports different system timings. Thus, Kanbara does not disclose or teach all the elements of the claimed invention.

Claims 4, 5, 11, and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kanbara et al. in view of Ohbichi et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,585,617). Claims 4 and 11 were canceled in the previous amendment filed March 1, 2005. For at least the following reasons, the examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed.

With regards to claim 12, none of the references disclose or suggest that "said multi-mode cellular phone terminal has a system timer for switching over a plurality of clocks generated by said frequency division means and counting different timings to support a plurality of communications systems" as recited in claim 12.


Kanbara does not disclose or suggest a system timer. Ohbichi does not overcome the deficiencies of the Kanbara patent. Ohbichi discloses a group of frequency selecting switches SWa1 to SWan for selectively supplying clock signals to the modulator-demodulator circuit 8. However, Ohbichi does not disclose or suggest that the frequency selecting switches count different system timings. Since the Ohbichi frequency selecting switches do not count different system timings, Ohbichi fails to disclose or suggest a system timer for counting different timings to support a plurality of communications systems. Therefore, even if combined, the references do not disclose or suggest the claimed invention.

In light of the foregoing, it is submitted that the application as amended is in a condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the application.

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